

11 September 2019 – In July and December 2018, 2 workshops on TDR implementation research and good health research practice were held as collaborative activities between the WHO Regional Office and the TDR-supported regional training centre, hosted by the Pasteur Institute of Tunis.

Throughout the workshops, through discussion, working groups, role plays and case studies participants worked on refining and modifying their own projects, based on their discussion with course faculty and fellow delegates. The workshops used the TDR/IR toolkit and good health research practice guide that have been developed and modified after piloting the course in several countries and settings.

In July 2019, a capacity-building workshop on good health research practice was also held in Hammamet, Tunisia. The aim of the course was to impart knowledge and skills for the application of ethical and quality principles in the design, conduct, and reporting of health research in humans.

During the workshop, key elements of good health research practice were introduced, such as principles of research ethics and quality, designing and planning the research, study planning and management, developing the research protocol, informed consent form, tools for collecting data, stakeholders, study team and study sites, research oversight, conducting, recording and monitoring the research, managing and analysing data, quality system, evaluating and reporting the research and reporting and disseminating research results.

The workshop included participants from 8 countries: Egypt, Jordan, Islamic Republic of Iran, Lebanon, Mali, Morocco, Pakistan and Tunisia.

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